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Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend claim 10 as follows.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-9 (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) An isolated polynucleotide which consisting essentially of nucleotides having a nucleotide sequence that encodes a bacterial dnaJp1 peptide consisting essentially of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4.

Claims 11-17 (Canceled)

- 18. (Previously Presented) The vector of claim 32, wherein the polynucleotide further encodes at least one dnaJ peptide other than dnaJp1.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The vector of claim 18, wherein the at least one other dnaJ peptide is a human dnaJ protein.

Claims 20-21 (Canceled)

- 22. (Previously Presented) The polynucleotide of claim 10, wherein the encoded dnaJp1 peptide is derived from a naturally occurring dnaJp protein that is encoded in the genome of a bacteria selected from at least one of the genera consisting of *Escherichia*, *Lactococcus*, *Klebsiella*, *Proteus*, and *Salmonella*.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The vector of claim 32, further comprising a composition in combination with an immunomodulatory compound.

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24. (Previously Presented) The vector of claim 23, wherein the immunomodulatory compound in the composition is transforming growth factor- β (TGF- β).

Claims 25-31 (Canceled)

32. (Previously Presented) A recombinant gene expression vector containing a polynucleotide of claim 10.